

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3-6 and 9-19 are in this application and are presented for consideration. By this Amendment, Applicant has amended claims 1, 3-6 and 9-11. New claims 12-19 have been added according to the allowable subject matter noted in the rejection. Claims 2, 7 and 8 have been canceled.

Claim 2 has been objected to because of minor informalities. Claims 1-11 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention.

Applicant has amended the claims to place them in better form in view of the Examiner's helpful suggestions. It is Applicant's position that the claims as now presented are clear and satisfy the requirements of the statute.

Applicant has amended the abstract and the specification paying close attention to the Examiner's remarks. Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the careful review of the disclosure.

The drawings have been objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a) because the Office Action states that the two jaws fixed to the grips as recited in claim 1 is not shown in the drawings.

Applicant has amended claim 1 to delete this feature.

The Office Action states that Applicant has not filed a certified copy of the Italian application. Applicant respectfully disagrees. The U.S. Patent Office should have received

a copy of the Italian application from the International Bureau as this application is a PCT application. As such, Applicant is not required to submit a copy of the Italian application.

Applicant has amended the claims according to include the allowable subject matter featured in the Office Action. It is Applicant's position that the claims are allowable as now presented. However, the Examiner is invited to telephone one of Applicant's representatives at the number below should there be any outstanding issues remaining.

Favorable action on the merits is requested.

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